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**NOTICES OF SUBSTANTIVE POLICY STATEMENT**

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The Administrative Procedure Act (APA) requires the publication of Notices of Substantive Policy Statement issued by agencies (A.R.S. § 41-1013(B)(14)).

Substantive policy statements are written expressions which inform the general public of an agency's current approach to rule or regulation practice.

Substantive policy statements are advisory only. A substantive policy statement does not include internal procedural documents that only affect the internal

procedures of the agency and does not impose additional requirements or penalties on regulated parties or include confidential information or rules made in accordance with the APA.

If you believe that a substantive policy statement does impose additional requirements or penalties on regulated parties you may petition the agency under A.R.S. § 41-1033 for a review of the statement.

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**NOTICE OF SUBSTANTIVE POLICY STATEMENT****DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY**

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**1. Title of the Substantive Policy Statement and the substantive policy statement number by which the substantive policy statement is referenced:**

April 2015 Compliance and Enforcement Handbook

**2. Date the substantive policy statement was issued and the effective date of the policy statement if different from the issuance date:**

Issued: April 20, 2015

Effective: April 20, 2015

**3. Summary of the contents of the substantive policy statement:**

This substantive policy statement informs the general public of revisions to the Compliance and Enforcement Handbook that guide ADEQ in taking enforcement action. It informs the general public of ADEQ's current approach to Compliance and Enforcement, consolidating and streamlining compliance and enforcement policies, procedures, and guidelines used by ADEQ when initiating or escalating enforcement. The revised handbook contains updated templates used by ADEQ to evaluate compliance status and take enforcement action, including instructions for their use.

**4. Federal or state constitutional provision; federal or state statute, administrative rule, or regulation; or final court judgment that underlies the substantive policy statement:**

A.R.S. Title 41

A.R.S. Title 49

**5. A statement as to whether the substantive policy statement is a new statement or a revision:**

This publication revises and replaces 1501.001 "Compliance and Enforcement Handbook" originally issued and effective on January 14, 2002.

**6. The agency contact person who can answer questions about the substantive policy statement:**

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**7. Information about where a person may obtain a copy of the substantive policy statement and the costs for obtaining the policy statement:**

Copies of this policy are available at no cost on the Department's web site: [www.azdeq.gov](http://www.azdeq.gov). Hard copies may be obtained by contacting the ADEQ Records Center, Monday through Friday, between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., 1110 W. Washington St., Phoenix, AZ 85007, (602) 771-4712. Cost is \$0.25 per page. The document is 24 pages.